

Cooperation Protocol

between

The Milan Bar Association, with offices at Via C. Freguglia 1, Milan, Italy, in the person of its President and legal representative, Vinicio Nardo esq.

and

The Bahrain Bar Society, with offices at Office 21, Building 671, Road 3626, Block 336 in Al Adliyah, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain, in the person of its President and legal representative Mr. Hassan Ahmed Bedaiwi.

(together “the parties” or “undesigning parties”)

Recitals

- a) The Milan Bar Association is a non-economic public body representing lawyers in Milan, governed by a Council, elected by the members of the first, which main duties are: (i) keeping the Register; (ii) supervising on legal training; (iii) organizing and promoting training events for lawyers in compliance with their “continuing education” obligation; (iv) monitoring the member’s conducts; (v) by means of its committees, promoting and organizing initiatives and study seminars concerning the role of the lawyers and the profession, in general, as well as providing services in favour of people and companies.
- b) The Bahrain Bar Society is a professional non-economic public body representing lawyers in Bahrain, governed by a Board of Directors, elected by the Society’s General Assembly, which main duties are: (i) contributing to the development of the legal profession and the preservation of its traditions in a way that allows it to perform its main purpose of laying down the foundations of justice; (ii) working on the development of legal knowledge and awareness; (iii) providing financial, social, and educational services to its members via what it provides as assistance or services; (iv) consolidating friendships and affection amongst its members and striving to resolve their professional disputes; (v) cooperating with all organizations that comprise of lawyers and legal professionals in the Arab region and worldwide; (vi) insuring the independence of the legal profession, and the freedom of lawyers

and their immunity in performing their duties, and the sacredness of their work and office, and the assurance of their rights; (vii) working on adherence to the legal profession's code of conduct and ethics.

- c) The Milan Bar Association and The Bahrain Bar Society have identified potential convergence of interests and common prospects of action and they intend therefore to co-operate together for the achievement of their own institutional aims.

Given the above, The Milan Bar Association and The Bahrain Bar Society,

agree as follow:

Art. 1 – Premises.

The above premises are part of the Cooperation Protocol which follows.

Art. 2 – Object.

2.1. With the current Protocol, the undersigning Parties express their intention to cooperate together, within the framework of the respective institutional activities, as described in the above premises;

2.2. The current Protocol does not imply or impose any financial obligations on the signatory entities.

2.3. The undersigning Parties undertake to provide visibility to the current Protocol, as appropriate, to the respective members, through the most suitable means.

Art. 3 – Contents and implementation of the 'Cooperation Protocol'

3.1. In compliance with the current Cooperation Protocol, the parties will cooperate in the following way:

- implementing projects concerning the role of the lawyer and of the legal profession, in general;
- organizing conferences, debates, seminars and workshop about issues of common interest;
- organizing visits to the other party's Country, to which the respective members will take part to;
- exchanging and sharing information, Acts, decisions, and 'good practice', concerning the practice of the legal profession and the role of the lawyer.

Art. 4 – Term of the Protocol


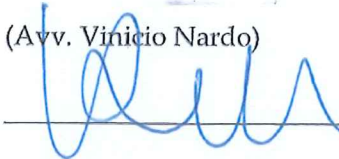
This Protocol shall enter into force at the time of the signature by both the parties and shall remain effective for one year. At the expiring date, the Protocol will automatically be renewed, save the faculty of any of the Parties to terminate it, at any time, in reason of its incontestable decision.

Milan – Bahrain

Milan Bar Association

(The President)

(Avv. Vinicio Nardo)



The Bahrain Bar Society

(The President)

(Hassan Ahmed Bedaiwi)

